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Activation-dependent transcriptional regulation of the human fas promoter
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ABSTRACT: Fas (CD95) and Fas ligand (CD95L) are an interacting receptor-ligand pair required for immune homeostasis. Lymphocyte activation results in the upregulation of Fas expression and the acquisition of sensitivity to FasL-mediated apoptosis. Although Fas upregulation is central to the preservation of immunologic tolerance, little is known about the molecular machinery underlying this process. To investigate the events involved in activation-induced Fas upregulation, we have examined mRNA accumulation, fas promoter activity, and protein expression in the Jurkat T-cell line treated with phorbol myristate acetate and ionomycin (P/I), pharmacological mimics of T-cell receptor activation. Although resting Jurkat cells express Fas, Fas mRNA was

induced approximately 10-fold in 2 h upon P/I stimulation. Using sequential deletion mutants of the human fas promoter in transient transfection assays, we identified a 47-bp sequence (positions -306 to -260 relative to the ATG) required for activation-driven fas upregulation. Sequence analysis revealed the presence of a previously unrecognized composite binding site for both the Sp1 and NF-kappaB transcription factors at positions -295 to -286. Electrophoretic mobility shift assay (EMSA) and supershift analyses of this region documented constitutive binding of Sp1 in unactivated nuclear extracts and inducible binding of p50-p65 NF-kappaB heterodimers after P/I activation. Sp1 and NF-kappaB transcription factor binding was shown to be mutually exclusive by EMSA displacement studies with purified recombinant Sp1 and recombinant p50. The functional contribution of the kappaB-Sp1 composite site in P/I-inducible fas promoter activation was verified by using kappaB-Spl concatamers (-295 to -286) in a thymidine kinase promoter activation was verified by using -driven reporter construct and native promoter constructs in Jurkat cells overexpressing IkappaB-alpha. Site-directed mutagenesis of the critical quanine nucleotides in the kappaB-Sp1 element documented the essential role of this site in activation-dependent fas promoter induction. (Item 1 from file: 34) 7/9/1 DIALOG(R) File 34:SciSearch(R) Cited Ref Sci (c) 2002 Inst for Sci Info. All rts. reserv. Genuine Article#: QJ418 Number of References: 48

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helix-loop-helix (bHLH) proteins, are necessary for ICRE-dependent gene activation. By the use of size variants and by heterologous expression in E.coli we demonstrate that Ino2p and Ino4p are both necessary and sufficient for the formation of the previously described FAS binding factor 1, Fbf1, interacting with the ICRE. Formation of a heteromeric complex between Ino2p and Ino4p by means of the respective bHLH domains was demonstrated in vivo by the interaction of appropriate two-hybrid constructs and in vitro by Far-Western analyses. Neither Ino2p nor Ino4p binds to the ICRE as a homodimer. When fused to the DNA-binding domain of GaI4p, Ino2p but not Ino4p was able to activate a UAS(GAL)-containing reporter gene even in the absence of the heterologous Fbf1 subunit. By deletion studies, two separate transcriptional activation domains were identified in the N-terminal part of Ino2p. Thus, the bHLH domains of Ino2p and Ino4p constitute the dimerization/DNA-binding module of Fbf1 mediating its interaction with the ICRE, while transcriptional activation is effected exclusively by Ino2p.

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ABSTRACT: Uncoupling protein 3 (UCP3), expressed abundantly in the skeletal muscle, is one of the carrier proteins dissipating the transmitochondrial electrochemical gradient as heat, and thereby has been implicated in the regulation of energy metabolism. We have investigated UCP3 mRNA expression in the widely used L6 myocyte cell line by Northern blot analysis. UCP3 mRNA was not detected in L6 myoblasts, but appeared after their differentiation to myotubes. The UCP3 mRNA level was increased when L6 myotubes were treated with increasing concentrations of

triidothyronine (T3), oleic acid, alpha-bromopalmitate and carbacyclin, a non-selective ligand of peroxisome proliferator-activated receptors (PPARs), whereas it was not influenced when treated with selective ligands of PPARalpha (WY 14643) and PPARgamma (troglitazone). A ligand of retinoid X receptor (RXR), 9-cis retinoic acid, was also effective by itself and in combination with carbacyclin in stimulating UCP3 mRNA expression. The mRNA analysis of individual PPAR isoforms revealed that L6 cell expressed a significant level of PPARdelta but undetectable levels of PPARalpha and PPARgamma. These results suggest that UCP3 expression in myocytes is differentiation-dependent and regulated by the 19/2 (Item 2 from file: 5)

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Up-regulation of UCP-2 gene expression by PPAR agonists in preadipose and adipose cells.

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ABSTRACT: UCP-2 is a member of the emerging family of UCP homologues. Upon high-fat feeding, UCP-2 mRNA levels are increased in epididymal fat pads of A/J mice, suggesting that the flux of fatty acids entering adipose tissue may regulate UCP-2 gene expression. Since fatty acids act as positive transcriptional regulators of lipid related genes by means of peroxisome proliferator-activated receptors (PPARs), the regulation of UCP-2 gene expression by PPAR agonists (carbacyclin , alpha-bromopalmitate, BRL49653) has been examined in mouse preadipose and adipose cells in primary cultures or from clonal lines (Ob1771, 3T3-F442A, 1B8). In preadipose cells, carbacyclin and a-bromopalmitate are active and BRL49653 shows no effect, whereas all these ligands are active in adipose cells. The stimulatory effect of PPAR agonists is potentiated by RXR agonists in adipose cells. In contrast to the UCP-1 gene, norepinephrine as a cAMP-elevating agent does not enhance the expression of UCP-2 gene. Altogether, the data favor a predominant role of PPAR -delta in preadipose cells and the involvement of PPAR -gamma-2 in adipose cells in upregulating UCP-2 gene expression. Thus, a potential link between fatty acid metabolism and thermogenesis may exist in PPAR

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Monoclonal antibodies as surrogate receptors in a high throughput screen compounds that enhance insulin sensitivity.

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ABSTRACT: Monoclonal antibodies (MoAbs) were made to a known insulin sensitivity enhancer (ISE) compound, CS - 045. The MoAbs were characterized with respect to binding other known thiazolidinedione ISE compounds using a CS - 045 labeled with b-phycoerythrin in a

competitive particle concentration fluorescence immunoassay (PCFIA). By comparing the rank order of IC50 values for each compound to its respective potency as an ISE, one MoAb (13E3) was selected for further characterization. This MoAb was also used as a surrogate receptor in a high throughput screen to identify novel compounds that compete for binding to CS - 045. Some of the hits were found to have efficacy in reducing blood glucose. Subsequently, another group reported that several compounds with the core thiazolidinedione structure of the ISE compounds bound with high affinity to peroxisome proliferator-activating receptors (PPAR). Therefore, we used the MoAb assay to test these and other compounds that are known to bind to PPARgamma and noted crossreactivity with some of the compounds.

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Molecular cloning, expression and characterization of human peroxisome proliferator activated receptors gamma-1 and gamma-2.

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ABSTRACT: We describe the molecular cloning and expression of cDNAs encoding human PPAR -gamma-1 and PPAR -gamma-2. Our sequences are distinct from the published sequence at 3 positions, resulting in nonconservative amino acid substitutions. In humans, PPAR -gamma mRNA is expressed in spleen, bone marrow, liver, testis, skeletal muscle and brain, in addition to fat. Three thiazolidinediones were found to 1) displace a radiolabeled thiazolidinedione from both receptors with essentially the same IC-50s and 2) to transactivate both PPAR -gamma isoforms with similar EC-50s in transient cotransfection assays utilizing the adipocyte-specific aP2 promoter. Saturating concentrations of these 3 thiazolidinediones altered the conformation of in vitro synthesized PPAR -gamma protein producing a 27 kDa protease-resistant fragment. These results indicate that the antidiabetic effects of thiazolidinediones in humans are likely to be mediated via binding to and transactivation of PPAR -gamma-1 and gamma-2.

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PPAR activators as antiinflammatory mediators in human T lymphocytes: Implications for atherosclerosis and transplantation-associated arteriosclerosis.

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ABSTRACT: Activation of T lymphocytes and their ensuing elaboration of proinflammatory cytokines, such as interferon (IFN)-gamma, represent a critical step in atherogenesis and arteriosclerosis. IFNgamma pathways also appear integral to the development of transplantation-associated

arteriosclerosis (Tx-AA), limiting long-term cardiac allograft survival. Although disruption of these IFNgamma signaling pathways limits atherosclerosis and Tx-AA in animals, little is known about inhibitory regulation of proinflammatory cytokine production in humans. The present study investigated whether activators of peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor (PPAR)alpha and PPARgamma, with their known antiinflammatory effects, might regulate the expression of proinflammatory cytokines in human CD4-positive T cells. Isolated human CD4-positive T cells express PPARalpha and PPARgamma mRNA and protein. Activation of CD4-positive T cells by anti-CD3 monoclonal antibodies significantly increased IFNgamma protein secretion from 0 to 504+-168 pg/mL, as determined by ELISA. Pretreatment of cells with well-established PPARalpha (WY14643 or fenofibrate) or PPARgamma (BRL49653/rosiglitazone or pioglitazone) activators reduced anti-CD3-induced IFNgamma secretion in a concentration-dependent manner. PPAR activators also inhibited TNFalpha and interleukin-2 protein expression. In addition, PPAR activators markedly reduced cytokine mRNA expression in these cells. Such antiinflammatory actions were also evident in cell-cell interactions with medium conditioned by PPAR activator-treated T cells attenuating human monocyte CD64 expression and human endothelial cell major histocompatibility complex class II induction. Thus, activation of PPARalpha and PPARgamma in human CD4-positive T cells limits the expression of proinflammatory cytokines, such as IFNgamma, yielding potential therapeutic benefits in pathological processes, such as atherosclerosis and Tx-AA. REGISTRY NUMBERS: 122320-73-4: BRL / 49653 ; 122320-73-4: ROSIGLITAZONE; 50892-23-4: WY14643; 49562-28-9: FENOFIBRATE; 111025-46-8: PIOGLITAZONE DESCRIPTORS: MAJOR CONCEPTS: Blood and Lymphatics (Transport and Circulation); Immune System (Chemical Coordination and Homeostasis); Molecular Genetics (Biochemistry and Molecular Biophysics) BIOSYSTEMATIC NAMES: Hominidae--Primates, Mammalia, Vertebrata, Chordata, Animalia ORGANISMS: human (Hominidae) ORGANISMS: PARTS ETC: CD4-positive T cells--blood and lymphatics, immune system; T cells--blood and lymphatics, immune system; T lymphocytes-activation, blood and lymphatics, immune system BIOSYSTEMATIC CLASSIFICATION (SUPER TAXA): Animals; Chordates; Humans; Mammals; Primates; Vertebrates DISEASES: atherosclerosis--vascular disease; transplantation-associated arteriosclerosis--vascular disease CHEMICALS & BIOCHEMICALS: BRL / 49653 {rosiglitazone}--peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor gamma activator; CD64--expression; TNF-alpha {tumor necrosis factor-alpha}--expression; WY14643-peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor alpha activator; anti-CD3 monoclonal antibodies; fenofibrate--peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor alpha activator; interferon-gamma {IGN-gamma}--activation, pathways, secretion; interleukin-2 protein {IL-2 protein}--expression; major histocompatibility complex--induction; peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor alpha { PPAR -alpha}; peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor alpha mRNA { PPAR -alpha messenger RNA} peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor gamma { PPAR -gamma}; peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor gamma mRNA { PPAR -gamma messenger RNA); peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor-alpha activator { PPAR -alpha activator}--antiinflammatory mediators; peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor-gamma activator { PPAR -gamma activator}--antiinflammatory mediators; pioglitazoneperoxisome proliferator-activated receptor gamma activator; proinflammatory cytokines -- inhibitory regulation, production MISCELLANEOUS TERMS: atherogenesis; cell-cell interactions; long-term cardiac allograft survival ALTERNATE INDEXING: Atherosclerosis (MeSH) CONCEPT CODES: 02506 Cytology and Cytochemistry-Animal 02508 Cytology and Cytochemistry-Human 03502 Genetics and Cytogenetics-General 03508 Genetics and Cytogenetics-Human

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Structural requirements and cell-type specificity for ligand activation of peroxisome proliferator-activated receptors.

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ABSTRACT: The mammalian peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor (PPAR) family consists of three different subtypes, PPARalpha, hNUC1/PPARdelta and PPARgamma. Selective agonists have been identified for PPARalpha and PPARgamma but not for hNUC1, and consequently little is known about the genes that are controlled by this receptor. Using ligand-dependent transcription assays in COS-7 cells, we screened a variety of PPAR activating agents to identify a selective activator of hNUC1. We found that the potent peroxisome proliferator, Wy-14643, and the PPARgamma-selective thiazolidinedione, BRL **49653** , were poor activators of hNUC1 (EC50s of >100 muM). Short chain fatty acids (FAs) appeared more selective for PPARalpha than for hNUC1, whereas the very long chain FA, erucic acid (C22:1) was more selective for hNUC1. Using erucic acid as a probe, we conducted a topological similarity search of the Merck Chemical Collection and identified a fatty acid-like compound, L-631,033 4-(2-acetyl-6-hydroxyundecyl) cinnamic acid, that was a selective activator of hNUC1 (EC50 of 2 muM), but was much less selective for PPARalpha or PPARgamma (EC50s of >100 muM). Structure-function analysis of PPAR activation by L-631,033 structural analogues showed that receptor selectivity depends on the position of the carboxyl group relative to the phenyl ring on the molecule. Transfection experiments in several cell types: an osteoblastic cell line (MB 1.8), a mouse liver cell line (ML-457), rat aortic smooth muscle cells (RSMCs) and COS-7 cells revealed differences in the activation profile of specific ligands. The most notable differences were observed in RSMCs, where transactivation by L-631,033 and Wy-14643, but not by BRL 49653 , was markedly reduced, and in MB 1.8 cells, where oleic acid failed to activate PPARs. These findings identify certain structural features in PPAR -activating agents that modulate PPAR activation, and suggest that as with other nuclear receptors, activation is cell-type specific. 2/9/3 (Item 1 from file: 34)

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Abstract: Objective: To investigate the expression and activity of PPARgamma in human synovial fibroblasts and the effects of PPARgamma agonists on the expression of MMP-1. The molecular mechanisms by which PPARgamma agonists modulate MMP-1 expression were also examined.

Methods: PPARgamma expression and activity were measured using reverse-transcription polymerase chain reaction (RT-PCR) and transient transfection assays. Human synovial fibroblasts were cultured with IL-1beta in the absence or presence of PPARgamma activators, and the expression and production of MMP-1 were evaluated by Northern blot and ELISA, respectively. The effect of 15d-PGJ(2) on MMP-1 promoter activation was analysed in transient transfection experiments, while electrophoretic mobility shift assays were performed to study the binding activity of the transcription factor AP-1.

Results: PPARgamma was expressed and transcriptionally functional in human synovial fibroblasts. PPARgamma activators (15d-PGJ(2) and BRL 49653) inhibited IL-1beta-induced MMP-1 synthesis in a dose-dependent manner. Similarly, both activators inhibited IL-1-induced MMP-1 mRNA expression. Activation of the human MMP-1 promoter was also attenuated by 15d-PGJ(2), indicating that the inhibitory effect of 15d-PGJ(2) occurs at the transcriptional level. Interestingly, 15d-PGJ(2) reduced both basal and IL-1beta-induced AP-1 binding activity.

Conclusions: These data indicate that PPARgamma agonists inhibit MMP-1 gene expression by transcriptional mechanisms, and suggest that they may be useful in reducing joint tissue destruction. (C) 2002 OsteoArthritis Research Society International.

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Anticytokine therapy for osteoarthritis.

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Osteoarthritis (OA) is a joint disease that involves degeneration of articular cartilage, weakening of the subchondral bone and limited intra-articular inflammation manifested by synovitis. Since the pathogenesis of OA involves multiple aetiologies, including mechanical, biochemical and genetic factors, it has been difficult to identify unique targets for therapy. Current pharmacological interventions focus primarily on improving symptoms. The rationale for the use of anticytokine therapy in OA is based on evidence from studies in vitro and in vivo that interleukin-1 (IL-1) and tumour necrosis factor (TNF)-alpha are the predominant pro-inflammatory and catabolic cytokines involved in the initiation and progression of articular cartilage destruction. Since the increased levels of catabolic enzymes, prostaglandins, nitric oxide (NO) and other markers in OA fluids and tissues appear to be related to elevated levels of IL-1 and TNF-alpha, therapies that interfere with the expression or actions of these cytokines are most promising. Other cytokines that are anti-inflammatory and are often detected, paradoxically, in OA tissues are therapeutic agents for counteracting the cartilage potential destruction in OA. Identification of methods for early diagnosis is of key importance, since therapeutic interventions aimed at blocking or reversing structural damage will be more effective when there is the possibility of preserving normal homeostasis. Αt later stages, cartilage tissue engineering with or without gene therapy will also require anticytokine therapy to block damage to newly repaired cartilage. This review will focus experimental approaches currently under study that may lead to elucidation of effective strategies for therapy in OA, with special emphasis on anticytokine therapy. (113 Refs.) 4/9/3

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PG13 packaging cells produce recombinant retroviruses carrying a diphtheria toxin mutant which kills cancer cells.

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The development of suicide **gene therapy** with gene products that are directly toxic to cells, such as the A subunit of diphtheria toxin (DT-A), has been hampered by the **difficulty** of engineering recombinant viruses. DT-A is a strong inhibitor of protein synthesis that acts by ADP-ribosylating elongation factor 2, and a low level of DT-A expression in virus producer cells prevents the production of recombinant virus. We analyzed here the natural resistance of packaging cells to DT-A toxicity, and we report that PG13 and PA317 packaging cell lines are resistant to H21G, a DT-A mutant. PG13 cells produce recombinant H21G virus that efficiently kills a variety of human **tumor** cells. Our finding indicates

... that PG13 packaging cells provide a new potential for the development of DT-A-based suicide gene therapy .

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Gene therapy for diabetes mellitus.

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There are diverse strategies for gene therapy of diabetes mellitus. Prevention of beta-cell autoimmunity is a specific gene therapy for prevention of type 1 (insulin-dependent) diabetes in a preclinical stage, therapy for whereas improvement in insulin sensitivity of peripheral tissues is a specific gene therapy for type 2 (non-insulin-dependent) diabetes. Suppression of beta-cell apoptosis, recovery from insulin deficiency, and relief of diabetic complications are common therapeutic approaches to both types of diabetes. Several approaches to insulin replacement by gene are currently employed: 1) stimulation of beta-cell growth, 2) therapy of beta-cell differentiation and regeneration, 3) genetic induction engineering of non-beta cells to produce insulin, and 4) transplantation of engineered islets or beta cells. In type 1 diabetes, the therapeutic effect of beta-cell proliferation and regeneration is limited as long as the destruction of beta cells continues. Therefore, the autoimmune utilization of engineered non-beta cells free from **autoimmunity** and islet transplantation with immunological barriers are considered potential therapies for type 1 diabetes. Proliferation of the patients own beta cells and differentiation of the patients' own non-beta cells to beta cells are desirable strategies for **gene therapy** of type 2 diabetes because immunological problems can be circumvented. At present, however, these strategies are technically **difficult**, and transplantation of engineered beta cells or islets with immunological barriers is also a potential **gene** therapy for type 2 diabetes. (113 Refs.)

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New treatment possibilities in rheumatoid arthritis.

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It is very difficult to predict future treatment modalities especially in diseases like rheumatoid arthritis (RA) with unknown etiology and pathogenesis. In the near future, traditional disease-modifying antirheumatic drugs (DMARD) alone, in combination with each other, or together with cyclosporine, FK506, Rapamycin, or Leflunomide, will probably be the main treatment for RA. Currently biological anti-TNFalpha agents like humanized MAb and recombinant TNF-receptor constructs are now launched in the market. This therapy alone, or in combination with methotrexate is very effective in RA patients. There are, however, concerns over increase in serious infections. Autologous stem cell transplantation will probably be used in certain patient with serious autoimmune diseases. (113 Refs.) 5/9/3

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A gene therapy approach to treat demyelinating diseases using non-replicative herpetic vectors engineered to produce cytokines.

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gene therapy approach in organ-specific autoimmune A successful diseases, such as multiple sclerosis (MS), encompasses the inhibition of the autoreactive T cells or the modification of the target organ cells by the introduction of exogenous 'protective' genes. In MS, an autoimmune disease of the central nervous system (CNS), the inciting autoantigen is still unknown and therefore the isolation of autoreactive T cells may only approaches in MS should be inferential. At present, gene therapy therefore aim to the modification of the target organ. Possible candidate genes to be transferred within the CNS of MS patients are those coding for anti-inflammatory cytokines (i.e. interleukin-4, interleukin-10, transforming growth factor beta) which have been shown to ameliorate demyelinating diseases at least in experimental models. However, a limiting factor for this therapy is the difficulty to reach the CNS. A gene therapy approach using viral vectors able to infect post-mitotic cells, such as those present within the CNS, without inducing toxic reactions, may overcome this limitation. We propose to use non-replicative herpetic vectors, which represent a viable gene-transfer alternative to the classical retroviral and adenoviral vectors. Key advantages are their size, able to accommodate multiple foreign genes, and their ability to infect post-mitotic cells such as those present within the CNS. We first transferred a gene coding for interleukin-4 within the CNS of mice undergoing experimental allergic encephalomyelitis, an animal model for MS, using non-replicative Herpes Simplex Virus type 1-derived vectors. We found that this approach ameliorates the disease course and delays the disease onset. The establishment of this technique to deliver anti-inflammatory cytokines within the CNS using herpetic vectors should clarify the role of individual cytokines in the demyelinating process and allow assessment of gene therapy using herpetic vectors is a feasible and safe whether approach to treat human demyelinating disorders. (37 Refs.)

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